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ACADEMIC SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, May 1, 1996, 7:30 p.m.
Circus Room, Bone Student Center

Call to Order

Seating of New Senator (Kenneth Newgren, MQM)

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes of April 17, 1996

Chairperson's Remarks

Vice Chairperson's Remarks

Student Government Association President's Remarks

Administrators' Remarks

Committee Reports: Introduction of officers

Special Topic: Status of the Pilot General Education Program

Action Items:

1. Election of faculty representative to ISU Foundation.
2. Recommendations in Faculty Affairs Committee Report on the Pilot Education Program, April 3, 1996.

Information Items:

1. Tentative schedule of executive committee and senate meetings (move to action).
2. Memorandum from Paul Borg, Report on Academic Senate Finances.
3. Memorandum from Betty Chapman, Academic Plan, 1996-2001.

Communications

Adjournment

ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES
(Unapproved)

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Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Senator Jan Cook, Chairperson.

Seating of new senator (Kenneth Newgren, MQM).

Roll Call

Senate Secretary Paul Borg called the roll and declared a quorum present.

Approval of Minutes

Motion XXVII-86 by Senator Saulter (seconded, Malinsky) to approve the minutes of April 17, 1996, as amended to read *Parliamentarian* Ira Cohen, carried on a voice vote.

Chairperson's Remarks

The minutes of the Academic Senate meetings are distributed to those who request them after the minutes have been approved by the Senate. Since this is the last meeting of the academic year tonight's minutes will not be distributed until fall. Cook requested senators to keep the Academic Senate office informed of summer addresses.

Chairperson Jan Cook reported that she met with Provost Urice to discuss the staffing and operations of the Academic Senate office. Cook will elaborate when the memorandum from Paul Borg, Report on Academic Senate Finances, is an Information Item on the agenda.

Vice Chairperson's Remarks

Vice Chairperson Matthew Malinsky had no remarks.

Student Government Association President's Remarks

SGA President Keenan Saulter said the SGA had their last meeting of the semester on April 30. The Association's new membership has had a good start. Two meetings are scheduled during the summer. A leadership conference for SGA members is planned. A topic for evaluation is the reinstatement of stipends for several SGA officers. If reinstated the stipends will come from existing student fees.

Administrators' Remarks

President Strand reported that several people from the University community will attend the State of Illinois House Appropriation Hearings in Springfield on May 2. Prior to the hearings they will attend a breakfast meeting with members of the Alumni Association in Springfield.

The Board of Trustees will meet on Friday, May 10, 1996. The meeting was scheduled to take place on the day before commencement so that members can attend commencement ceremonies on May 11. The public is invited to attend the 9:00 a.m. session of the Board of Trustees meeting. The President's Liaison Committee to the Board of Trustees will meet on May 3.

Provost Urice said the search for the College of Business dean's position is progressing. Paul Schollaert, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, agreed to be secretary of the search committee. It is hoped the committee will meet prior to commencement because business professional meetings start soon.

Senator Urice reported on the University Teaching and Learning Center. The center will begin operating as the Office of Advancement for Teaching (OAT). The University received \$100,000 from the IBHE which will be used to staff the office, support fellows' stipends, and offer workshops. Other than secretarial support, personnel will be faculty only. During the 1996-97 academic year the University will seek "center status" for the office. Senator Urice commended the work of the group who have set forth the parameters of the office in order to facilitate its purposes. Urice will keep the Senate informed as the University seeks to obtain "center status."

Vice President Gurowitz said the recently passed federal budget permits Illinois State to continue in the direct loan program.

Vice President Taylor had no remarks.

Committee Reports

Academic Affairs: Senator Borg is chair of the Academic Affairs Committee. The secretarial responsibilities will rotate. The external committees which report to the Academic Affairs Committee include: Academic Planning, Academic Standards, the Council for Teacher Education, the Council for University Studies, the Honors Council, the Reinstatement Committee, and the University Curriculum Committee. The following issues will be addressed by the Academic Affairs Committee in the 1996-97 academic year: The General Education Pilot program, from the UCC a College of Business academic program proposal, and revisions to the requirements for the bachelor of science degree. Borg indicated a possibility of meeting during the summer.

Administrative Affairs: Senator White is chairperson and Senator Amstadt is secretary. Among the usual agenda topics will be 1) to consider the facility planning agenda with Richard Runner, Assistant Vice President, Physical Planning and Operations, 2) to work with Alan Dillingham regarding the academic calendar, and 3) to consider the process of administrators' evaluations. It may be necessary for the committee to meet during the summer.

Budget: Senator Jones, Chairperson, reported that the secretarial duties will probably rotate. Among the issues the committee will pursue are: 1) evaluate new program budgets, 2) the summer school report, 3) follow-up on the ISU Foundation report, 4) the Provost's FY97 budget process, and 5) evaluate graduate assistant stipends. The Budget Committee probably will not meet during the summer.

Faculty Affairs: Dave Weber is chairperson and Ja'Net Cross is secretary. The committee held a meeting earlier this evening. The agenda for the 1996-97 academic year includes: 1) the University Appeals Committee procedures and 2) the report on the General Education Pilot program, if appropriate. No meetings are planned for the summer.

Rules: Senator Nelsen, Chairperson, said the committee has not yet named a secretary. Currently the committee is working on the following: 1) revisions to the ISU Constitution, 2) the Blue Book of the Academic Senate, and 3) the By-Laws of the Academic Senate. Susan Kern, Assistant to the President, is also working on the ISU Constitution and the linkage of the documents to the Board of Trustees. Some work on these documents will probably take place over the summer but the committee may not have to formally meet.

Student Affairs: Andrew Robertson is chairperson and Caryn Gilbert is secretary. The committee will address the Academic Integrity Standards forwarded by Dr. Chapman and revisions to the ISU constitution. Robertson does not anticipate the committee will meet during the summer.

Special Topic: Status of the General Education Pilot Program

Dr. Alan Dillingham, Associate Vice President and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, gave a status report on the General Education Pilot program. Dr. Dillingham introduced the implementation committee members who were present. Following his presentation several questions from the floor were addressed. Dr. Dillingham will make a written summary of the status of the General Education Pilot program available to the University community.

Action Items:

1. Election of Senator Khalid Razaki as the Academic Senate faculty representative to the ISU Foundation Board.
2. Recommendations of the Faculty Affairs Committee Report on the General Education Pilot Program.

Recommendation 1. The Committee recommends that there be a faculty referendum on the general education program prior to the final vote by the academic senate to continue the development of the general education program.

Motion XXVII-87 by Senator Reeder (seconded, Schmaltz) to endorse recommendation #1.

Motion XXVII-88 by Senator White (seconded, Lockwood) to commit recommendation #1 to committee. Call to question, Senator Saulter (seconded, Corl) carried on a voice vote. The motion to commit recommendation #1 to Faculty Affairs carried on a roll call vote, 24 yea and 14 nay.

Recommendation 2. The committee recommends that, prior to the faculty referendum, there be a general faculty meeting to be held early in the fall semester of 1996 to discuss the general education program and to apprise the general faculty of the progress of the PGEP, and the status of other processes related to the implementation of the general education program.

Faculty Affairs Committee will reconsider Recommendation #2 in light of Recommendation #1 being committed to the Faculty Affairs Committee.

Recommendation 3. The committee recommends that the provost rotate the membership of PIC to reflect additional points of view and concerns about general education.

Motion XXVII-89, by Senator Reeder (seconded, McCaw) to endorse Recommendation #3.

Motion XXVII-90, Amendment to Motion XXVII-89, by Senator Kurtz (seconded, K. Strand) to delete "to reflect additional points of view and concerns about general education". Call to question, Saulter (seconded, Weber) carried on a voice vote.

Motion XXVII-89 to endorse Recommendation #3 as amended to read as follows: *The committee recommends that the provost rotate the membership of PIC.* The motion failed on a voice vote.

Recommendation 4: *The committee recommends that the timeline for piloting and implementation of the general education program be reexamined and possibly altered to allow sufficient time for additional and diverse course development and piloting, and to permit the careful investigation of crucial unanswered questions relating the general education program.*

Motion XXVII-91 by Reeder (seconded, McCaw) to endorse Recommendation #4.

Point of Order: Senator D. Strand. The building closes at 11:00 p.m. and the Academic Plan has to come before the Senate prior to the Board of Trustee meeting on May 10. If the Academic Plan is not considered as an Information Item tonight the Academic Senate will have to meet again prior to the Board of Trustees meeting.

Senators Reeder and McCaw withdrew motion XXVII-91. The Faculty Affairs Committee asks the Executive Committee to return this FAC report to the Senate Agenda.

3. Motion XXVII-92 by Razaki (seconded, Garner) to put the calendar of Senate and Executive Committee meetings to an action item carried on a voice vote.

Motion XXVII-93 by Saulter (seconded, Weber) to accept the calendar carried on a voice vote.

Information Items:

1. Senator Borg deferred the information item, Report on Senate Finances to the next Academic Senate meeting.
2. Senator Borg brought forward the Academic Plan, 1996-2001 for the Academic Planning Committee, an external committee to the Academic Affairs Committee and introduced Dr. Betty Chapman, Provost's Designee to the Academic Planning Committee. Senator Urice and Dr. Chapman commended the diligence of the Academic Planning Committee during the academic year.

Communications:

Sense of the Senate Resolution: Motion XXVII-94, Senator Brooks, (seconded, Razaki) to adopt the Sense of the Senate Resolution.

Motion XXVII-95, by Senator Kurtz (seconded, Razaki) to amend the Sense of the Senate Resolution by adding the following: (3) *CALL ATTENTION to and expect compliance with the ISU Constitution requiring national searches for all administrative positions for which the ISU Constitution mandates such searches, without resorting to waivers.* The motion to amend carried on a voice vote.

Motion XXVII-96 by Senator Urice (seconded, Ruyle) to table the Sense of Senate Resolution failed on a hand vote.

Motion XXVII-94 to adopt the Sense of the Senate Resolution as amended passed on a roll call vote: 20 yea, 13 nay, and 4 abstention.

Sense of the Senate Resolution

WHEREAS the concept of "constitutionalism" involves adherence by all members of a community to agreed upon rules of governing, with even top decision-makers subject to these constitutional limitations of power, and

WHEREAS respect for constitutionalism has been and continues to be a cornerstone of leadership accountability and shared governance at Illinois State University, and

WHEREAS the preamble of the ISU Constitution states (in part): "The Board and the University are committed to . . . the sharing of governance among the students, faculty, and staff who comprise the University community", and

WHEREAS Article I, Section 1 of the ISU Constitution states (in part): "In fulfilling its assigned mission, the University shall be governed and will operate within the framework of this Constitution including such By-laws and legislation as are later adopted by the Academic Senate",

THEREFORE, WE THE MEMBERS OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE:

(1) REAFFIRM the preeminent status of the ISU Constitution and its application to the newly-installed Board of Trustees as well as all administrators, staff, faculty, and students;

(2) CALL ATTENTION to and expect compliance with Article V, Section 1 (subsection E-15) and Article IV, Section 1 (subsection B) of the ISU Constitution requiring direct and substantial participation of the Academic Senate in the selection of a new University President, when a formal search commences in the fall of 1998;

(3) CALL ATTENTION to and expect compliance with the ISU Constitution requiring national searches for all administrative positions for which the ISU Constitution mandates such searches, without resorting to waivers.

Any communications not addressed at this meeting will carry forward to the next Academic Senate meeting.

Adjournment

XXVII-97 to adjourn carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

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Name	Attendance	Motion	Motion	Motion	Motion	Motion	Vote XXVII-	Y	N	Abstain
		#88	#94	#	#	#	voice vote 86	X		
							87			
Amstadt	X	-	-				88	24	14	
Borg	X	Y	Y				voice vote 89		X	
Brand	Excused	-	-				voice vote 90	X		
Brooks	X	N	Y				withdrawn 91			
Cook	X	N	Y				voice vote 92	X		
Corl	X	Y	-				voice vote 93	X		
Cross	X	Y	N				94	20	13	4
Diggs	X	-	-				hand vote 95	X		
Fisher	X	Y	N				voice vote 96		X	
Garner	X	Y	N				voice vote 97	X		
Gilbert	X	-	-							
Gurowitz	X	Y	ABST							
Jagodzinski	X	N	Y							
Jannazzo	X	Y	N							
Jones	X	Y	Y							
Kaiser	X	N	Y							
Kurtz	X	N	Y							
Layman	X	Y	N							
Lockwood	X	Y	N							
MacDonald	X	N	Y							
Malinsky	X	-	-							
McCaw	X	Y	Y							
Mendiola	X	-	-							
Mullen	Absent	-	-							
Neuleib	X	Y	Y							
Nelsen	X	Y	N							
Newby	Absent	-	-							
Newgren	X	Y	Y							
Pereira	X	N	Y							
Razaki	X	N	Y							
Reeder	X	N	Y							
Robertson	X	Y	N							
Ruyle	X	Y	N							
Saulter	X	Y	N							
Schmaltz	X	N	Y							
Strand, D	X	Y	ABST							
Strand, K	X	Y	N							
Taylor	X	Y	ABST							
Thomas	X	N	N							
Thompson	X	N	N							
Tipnis	X	N	Y							
Urice	X	Y	ABST							
Vargas	X	-	-							
Varner	X	Y	Y							
Venditti	Absent	-	-							
Walters	X	Y	Y							
Weber	X	N	Y							
White	X	Y	Y							